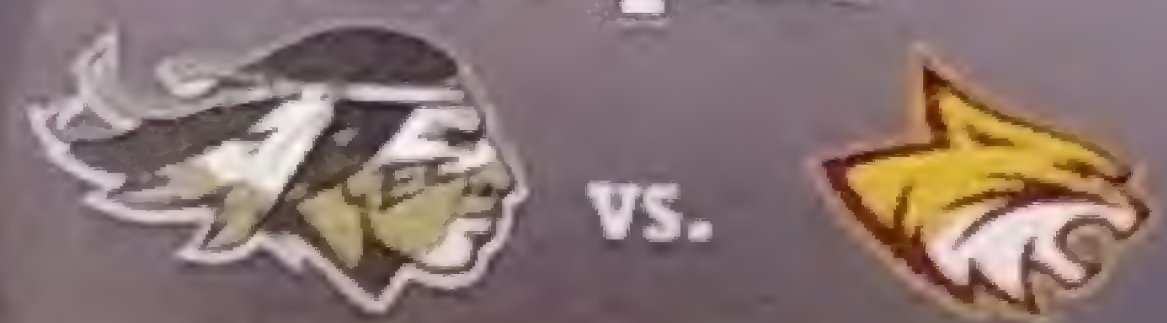




**GAME 1**  
**September 14, 2017**  
**6:30 p.m.**



East Central Community College  
 vs.  
 Pearl River Community College  
 General Admission - \$10

### RICHARD HARRIS



Richard Harris was an All-State basketball player at East Central where he was a member of the 1951 and 1952 teams. He continued his athletic career at Delta State University where he was one of the team's leading scorers. He began his coaching career at St. Martin High School and also held stints at Hickory and Decatur high schools, Newton County Academy and Clarke College. During his career, he captured five state titles and a winning percentage of more than .700. He was inducted into the ECCC Athletic Hall of Fame in 1990 and the Mississippi Community College Sports Hall of Fame in 2012.

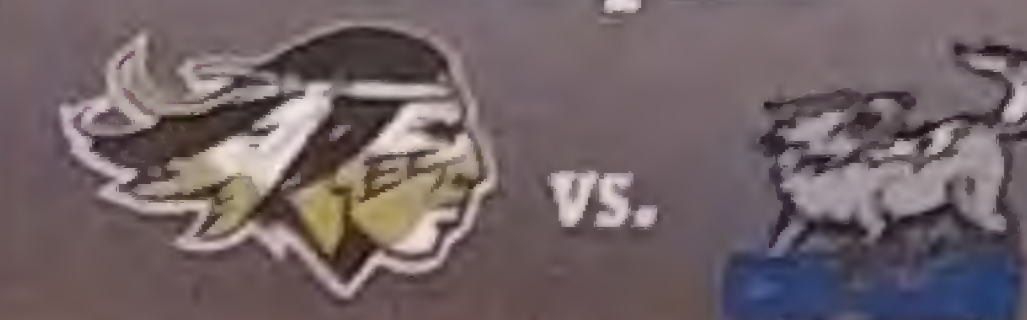
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**GAME 2**  
**September 28, 2017**  
**6:30 p.m.**



East Central Community College  
 vs.  
 Copiah-Lincoln Community College  
 General Admission - \$10

### JAMES L. "CREEPER" NELSON



Creep Nelson was a standout quarterback and baseball pitcher/first baseman for East Central during the 1952-53 and 1953-54 seasons. He continued his career at Delta State University where he was a reserve quarterback and starting pitcher. He began his coaching career at Newton High School, where he led his team to the first Choctaw Conference championship and later served as principal. Following a short stint in the business world, he returned to serve 12 years as superintendent of Newton Public Schools. He was inducted into the ECCC Athletic Hall of Fame in 1997.

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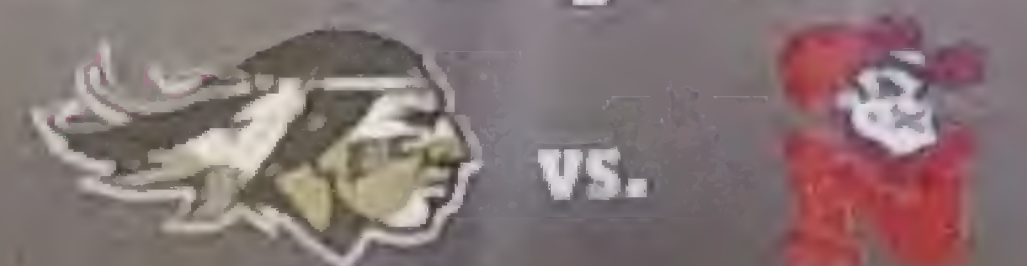
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## HOMECOMING 2017



**GAME 3**  
**October 19, 2017**  
**6:30 p.m.**



East Central Community College  
 vs.  
 Northwest MS Community College  
 General Admission - \$10

### WILLIE J. "TENNY" COATS



Tenny Coats made his mark as one of East Central's most successful football coaches serving from 1995 to 1998. He led the 1996 Warriors to a 10-1 mark, which included a win over Middle Georgia in the Golden Isles Bowl Classic and a No. 5 national ranking. He was also selected MACJC "Coach of the Year." His ECCC teams won 19 of their last 23 games, a feat unmatched to date. His successful coaching career also included stints as a head coach in various Mississippi high schools and at Pearl River Community College and as an assistant coach at Delta State University. He was inducted into the ECCC Athletic Hall of Fame in 2001.

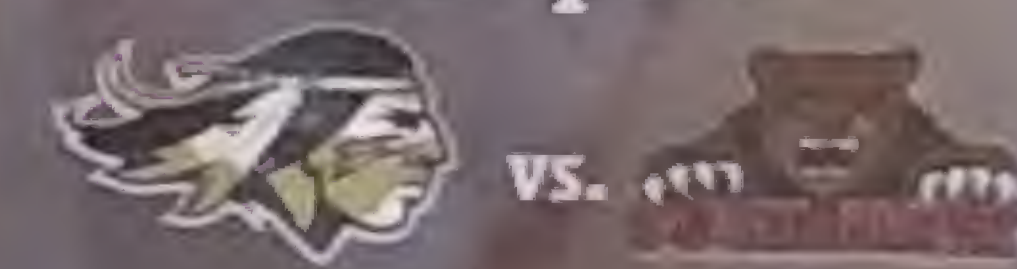
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### HOMECOMING

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**GAME 4**  
**October 26, 2017**  
**6:30 p.m.**



East Central Community College  
 vs.  
 Southwest MS Community College  
 General Admission - \$10

### EVELYN "SNOOPY" BENDER



Evelyn Bender was an All-State basketball player at East Central on the 1976 and 1977 teams. She was co-captain on the 1977 state championship team and continued her athletic career at Jackson State University. She was drafted by the Washington team of the Women's Professional League and later signed with the New York Stars, which played in Madison Square Garden. She returned to coach girls' basketball and track at Newton High School in 1986 and also served as physical education instructor. Bender was inducted into the ECCC Athletic Hall of Fame in 1982 and the Mississippi Community College Sports Hall of Fame in 2014.

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East Central Community College  
 vs.  
 Southwest MS Community College  
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